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COUNTRY East GermanyREPORT NO. TOPIC Stendal-Borstel Airfield25X1 EVALUATION PLACE OBTAINED 25X1ADATE OF CONTENT 25X1ADATE OBTAINED 25X1A DATE PREPARED 27 October 1953

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REMARKS

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1. On 13 July 1953, 28 Il-10s were counted in front of the hangars of Stendal-Borstel airfield. Local flights and diving was practiced. The aircraft had no markings at their rudder assemblies or the wings. 25X1

There was air activity after nightfall.

2. Between 16 July and 7 August, 30 to 35 Il-10s were repeatedly observed outside the hangars. There was day and night flying, including individual flights by Il-10s towing an air sleeve and flying in formations of up to 9 Il-10s. On 4 August, 23 soldiers parachuted from 2 Li-2s over the landing field from an altitude of about 400 meters.

3. On 19 July, 150 to 200 AAA soldiers and 8 trucks towing 37-mm AA guns were detained at the Stendal railroad station. The troops and guns occupied the emplacements east of the field.²

4. Between 26 July and 18 August, only light air activity was observed at the field. Eighteen Il-10s were counted in the northeastern corner of the field. 25X1

There was no air activity between 2 and 7 October. On 6 October, a truck loaded with ammunition boxes, about 2.5 meters long, proceeded from the dump in the northwestern corner of the field to the hangars. Two small wooden sheds were under construction near the woods north of the firing range. came from the field. On the morning of 8 October, individual Il-10s made local flights. About 20 Il-10s were lined up in two rows in the north-eastern corner of the field.¹

5. The new camp east of the field was occupied by an army unit. Four AA guns, probably 37 mm, were observed in the AA gun emplacement at the eastern edge of the field.²

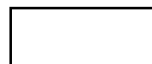
6. On 31 July, about 50 single-engine monoplanes were observed in front of the hangars. The aircraft made individual flights. 25X1B

7. Between 20 August and 23 September, the former parachutists camp east of the field was occupied by about 200 soldiers wearing red-bordered black caps. During the exercises 3 AA guns with funnel-shaped muzzles were repeatedly observed. Prior to 25 August, the AA gun emplacement north of the dump had been

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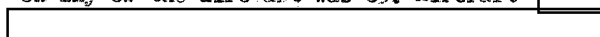
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vacated. On 25 August, [redacted] 25X1B
AA guns entered the emplacement. The emplacement has been occupied since that
time.²

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1. [redacted] Comment. Stendal-Borstel airfield is occupied by a ground attack regi- 25X1
ment and a reconnaissance regiment. The two regiments are equipped with IL-10s
the exact number of which can not be determined. The highest number observed
on any of the aircraft was 63. Aircraft [redacted] 25X1

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2. [redacted] Comment. The AA gun emplacement on the eastern edge of the field [redacted]
[redacted] The AA quarters are located south of the emplacement and
are referred to [redacted] as new camp.

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